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MULTI-STACK SURFACE MOUNT LIGHT EMITTING DIODES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 13-20 without prejudice or disclaimer and add the following new claims:

- -- 21. A surface mount light emitting diode package, comprising:
 - a housing;
 - a plurality of light emitting diode die supported by the housing; and
- a plurality of electrical contacts on the outside of the housing, said contacts adapted for surface mounting to a circuit board and providing electrical signals to said plurality of light emitting diode die.
- 22. The surface mount light emitting diode package as recited in claim 21, wherein the plurality of light emitting diode die comprise a stack of at least two die arranged in a line.